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## MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: C<sup>3</sup>I Net Assessment Update

We are going to prepare a quick update of the 1978 C<sup>3</sup>I Net Assessment that was done for the Secretary of Defense. The objective is to prepare a brief (30 page) current description of the C<sup>3</sup>I balance. This requires that we quickly identify significant changes that may have occurred in the C<sup>3</sup>I balance since 1978 and, by 25 February, produce a draft of a brief assessment that reflects new developments.

It is not the intention at this time to recreate the working groups established in the 1977/78 period for development of the original assessments. Instead, it would suffice if you could review the 1978 assessment, update those areas that have changed, and return it with comments to OSD/NA, ATTN: Maj Hines by 5 February. Legible margin notes and line-in/line-out suggestions, corrections, and expansions are useful. Insertions should be typed and included as appropriate. Specific documents or reports that provide significant insights or information should also be mentioned or sent along with your input. Comments will be the basis for the development of an agenda for a working level "blue side" meeting to be held here at OSD/NA (3A930) on 10 February 1983, 1000-1200. The red side meeting will be held from 1000-1200 on 15 February 1983. The meetings will provide participants an opportunity to exchange views on the significance of identified changes and should establish the basis for development of the brief updated assessment. We will schedule joint meetings in the future. This updating process will also help us to judge whether a major reevaluation of the C<sup>3</sup>I balance is indicated.

There are many areas to be covered and in order to facilitate timely action and progress this memo is being sent directly to individuals who were involved in the earlier efforts or who have been identified as current experts in some part of the C<sup>3</sup>I balance.

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